



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  
Re: Appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences

AT/PTA  
DM-10/2003

In re Application of: Close, et al.

Group Art Unit: 1771

Serial No.: 10/748,454

Examiner: N. Velazquez

Filed: 12/30/2003

Our Customer ID: 22827

For: Nonwoven Webs Having Reduced Lint and Slough

Our Account No.: 04-1403

Sir:

Attorney Ref.: KCX-785 (19014)

1. ☒ **NOTICE OF APPEAL:** Pursuant to 37 CFR 41.31, Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Appeals from the decision dated 9-22-2006 of the Examiner twice/finally rejecting claims 1-92.
2. ☐ **BRIEF** on appeal in this application pursuant to 37 CFR 41.37 is transmitted herewith (1 copy)
3. ☐ An **ORAL HEARING** is respectfully requested under 37 CFR 41.47 (due within two months after Examiner's Answer).
4. ☐ Reply Brief under 37 CFR 41.41(b) is transmitted herewith (1 copy).
5. ☐ "Small entity" verified statement filed: ☐ herewith ☐ previously.

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- ☐ Fee **NOT** required since paid in prior appeal in which the Board of Appeals did not render a decision on the merits.

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